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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Hideomi SUZAWA et al

Serial No. 10/086,626

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE For:

AND MANUFACTURING METHOD

THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 19, 2003, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-7 without prejudice to applicant's right to file a divisional application with respect thereto.

REMARKS

In response to the election requirement in the Office Action of May 19, 2003, Applicant's hereby elect without traverse the Group II claims - that is, claims 8-15, drawn to a process for making a semiconductor device.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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